

NEWS RELEASE
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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg and the Lincoln Police Department, Lancaster County Sheriff's Department, and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

On August 24, 2010, an Indictment was unsealed charging a Lincoln woman with conspiring to methamphetamine, powder cocaine, and marijuana in the Lincoln area over approximately a five-year time period.

Name of Defendant: Regina Lynn Leonard

AKA: Gina

Age: 46

City of residence: Lincoln

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Conspiracy to distribute and possess with the intent to distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, and a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine, a Schedule II controlled substance, and a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of marijuana, a Schedule I controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 846. The possible penalty is not less than 10 years nor more than life imprisonment and a fine of up to \$4,000,000. Following any prison term, there would be a term of supervised release of not less than five years. There is also a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln

Location of Arrest: Lincoln

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: 500 grams or more (approximately 18

ounces) of a mixture or substance containing methamphetamine, and unspecified amounts of cocaine and marijuana

Others Charged in Same Scheme: none

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: Between on or about June 1, 2005, and on or about May 31,

2010

Federal Arrest Date: August 23, 2010

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: August 18, 2010

Initial Appearance Date: August 25, 2010

Plea or Trial and Date(s):

Sentencing Date:

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: Trial, scheduled to begin November 2, 2010

Assigned Magistrate Judge: The Honorable Cheryl R. Zwart

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: held without bond

In Continuous Custody Since: August 23, 2010

Assigned District Court Judge: The Honorable Warren K. Urbom

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